(b) the current length-wise states of National Highways at present in the State?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) National Highway No. 14 from Beawar to Radhanpur was added to the National Highways network in the year 1989.

(b) The details are as under :

NH No.	Name	Length in km.
8	Delhi-Ahmedabad-Bombay Road	498
8A	Ahmedabad-Kandla Port Road	378
8B	Porbandar-Rajkot-Bamanbore Road	206
8C	Chiloda-Sarkhej Road	46
14	Beawar-Abu Road-Palanpur-Radhanpur Road	140
15	Pathankot-Bikaner-Radhanpur-Samkhiyali Road	270
E-I	Expressway (under construction)	93
	Grand Total	1631

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3442. SHRI CHANDUBHAI DESHMUKH :
SHRI N.J. RATHWA :
SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received some proposals from the Revenue Department of Gujarat Government in regard to handing over of the lands of Kandla Port Trust Area to the State Government during the last three years and till date;

(b) if so, the year-wise details of such proposals received till date during the aforesaid period;

(c) the year-wise number of proposals out of these accepted/under consideration/lying pending with the Government;

(d) the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which these proposal are likely to be accepted and the latest position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) No, Sir. No proposal has been received from the Revenue Department of Gujarat Government in regard to handing over of the lands of Kandla Port Trust Area to the State Government during the last three calendar years.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

[Translation]

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3443. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV :
SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI :
SHRI VISHWESHWAR BHAGAT :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Mahila Vikas Nigams have been set up in Bihar and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the names of districts where these Nigams have been set up; and

(c) the works undertaken by these Nigams so far, Nigam-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Bihar State Women Development Corporation and the Madhya Pradesh Mahila Arthik Vikas Nigam are working in the entire state of Bihar and Madhya Pradesh respectively.

(c) The works undertaken by the Bihar State Women Development Corporation so far are;

(i) The Corporation has so far given margin money assistance to 444 Women totalling Rs. 5,06,836/-. Besides, a Training-cum-Production Centre for Handloom sari and bags was organised at Deoghar and at Bansjora a tassar weaving and reeling centre is being run presently.

(ii) Every year on the occasion of the International Women's Day a "Mahila Samriddhi Utsav" is organised in which sale of articles produced by women and women groups, exhibition, daily workshops, cultural programmes and free medical check-up camps are also organised.

The works undertaken by the Madhya Pradesh Mahila Arthik Vikas Nigam so far are :

(i) Implementing GRAMYA scheme under which women desirous of undertaking small business are given an interest-free loan of Rs. 500/- by the Nigam. Nigam has already extended loans to more than 53,000 women beneficiaries.

(ii) Implementing PHOTOCOPIER MACHINE sheme under which women setting up a photocopier machine through Bank loan are given a subsidy of 10% not exceeding Rs. 10,000/-

(iii) Implementing SAMARTH scheme under which training expenses in recognized institutions of widowed, divorced and deserted women are borne by the Nigam.